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# Triumph Bonneville (Haynes Great Bikes)





### **Synopsis**

The spearhead of a highly successful export drive, a winning production racer and the top 'street fighter' of its day, the Triumph Bonneville retains a special place in the hearts of motorcyclists worldwide. Motorcycle expert Steve Wilson offers personal recollections from those who have tuned, raced and restored Bonnevilles; details of the Bonnie's racing successes; buying and tuning tips; and technical specifications to deliver this detailed study of the machine and the men who helped make it a motorcycle icon.

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#### Customer Reviews

Steve Wilson, a leading classic bike journalist, is author of several titles for Haynes including Down the Road, a collection of his best columns from Classic Bike Guide magazine. He lives near Wantage in Oxfordshire.

As a triumph owner for thirty five years ( same bike) I've read my share of books on the marque. This book is entertaining without being over technical. Great photography and a few insightful remarks from hugie hancox et.al. I would highly recommend J.R. Nelsons book " bonnie" for a more detailed overview. A new millennium chapter brings you up to speed on hinkleys latest offerings. Overall, highly recommended. It'll leave you wanting more.

This is a well documented and finely illustrated book well suited for an enthusiast and triumph historian--you can not miss on this book.

Excellent!

great!

A great book with a good free flowing storyline which is easy to read and absorb. Some really interesting facts and figures describing the beginnings and the evolution of the Bonneville and some of the photos are just sumptous. If you are into Bonnevilles, this is a MUST and I'm sure you'll have a great deal of enjoyment from it. Highly recommended.

Beautiful photography and excellent in-depth information on the evolution of the Bonneville. I learned a lot about my own bike (a '66 Bonneville) that I didn't know. I have a couple of other books about these bikes that are quite good, but this one is my favorite.

In 1971 in England I was lucky to take over ownership of one of the last pre-unit BSAs (my brother's 1961 Superocket - much the equivalent to the Bonnie of its day but with only one carb - easier to keep in tune). Shame the unit BSAs (A50 & A65) were never so good! then went 'japanese' (not that there was anything wrong with that), though am now lucky to own a BMW (my dream bike - I got left some \$\$\$).I did own a (used) Bonnie - around 1977, I think - but it was unfortunately one of the least revered types - the oil in the frame (below the seat) models. Still, at least I was able to work on the engine (I bought it with a loused up engine), unlike modern machines. I collect books on BMWs, though I have some books on other makes. I found this book to be excellent & on par with many of the best BMW books - great pictures & as far as I know an accurate history. It certainly is easy to read.My only fault with it is maybe the price - maybe a bit steep for a relatively slim volume - though I'm very happy/fortunate to have snagged an almost as new one via for only \$6 + \$3.49 shipping - a great deal! would love to own a(nother) Bonnie - this time one of the classic models. It would be light enough for my wife to ride (why did bikes get heavier despite the use of modern materials?) and a joy to throw around curves (no, not scraping the footrests - I'm too old to risk breaking a leg after almost 40 years riding with no broken bones!) It would however have to be in a restored state so I guess, not being able to afford it, that will never happen. Ah well, maybe one day someone will give me the \$\$\$ to go & buy either a new one (which look great in the dealer's showrooms) or a

restored old one. In the meantime, this book will more than do.

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